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POLICE GRAFT 40 YEARS OLD, SAYS GAYNOR

Deep - Seated Practice In
the Department During
Full Period.

HE HAS BEEN WORKING.

Excise Commissioner Farley
Has Mysterious Interview
at City Hall.

Mayor Gaynor took his pen in hand to-day and indited a letter to Corporation Counsel Watson, bearing upon the Aldermanic investigation. The Mayor says there has been grafting in the Police Department for forty years, and claims he has done much to put a stop to it. Here is the letter in full.

August 15, 1912.
Sir: As the Aldermanic investigating committee prefers not to have the counsel they have voted for to conduct the investigation appointed an Assistant Corporation Counsel, I should advise you that the character of the investigation is such that you cannot shirk your responsibility in that respect.

But you can do your full duty by attending yourself, and if necessary appointing an Assistant Corporation Counsel to give him the time to the matter. The great object is to have a thorough investigation, so that we may find out as to the extent of the grafting and have the culprits removed and punished.

There has been deep-seated grafting in that department for forty years. I have been working with the Commissioner to do away with it, and we have to a very large extent succeeded.

I welcome help from all sources. I have not always received it from quarters where I had a right to expect it. Let there be no more of this money. If possible, in working with the counsel voted for by the committee. Let him be given every help.

Very truly yours,
W. J. GAYNOR, Mayor.

State Excise Commissioner W. W. Farley's visit to the Mayor to-day, and with whom the Commissioner was expected for upward of an hour, was regarded as significant when it was noted that the Mayor had decided upon some new moves in the excise situation in New York following the police graft charges. The Mayor declined to talk about the visit of the State Excise Commissioner, who, with his staff, recently invaded all-night resorts and closed them down.

Commissioner Farley said that his call upon the Mayor was simply for the purpose of talking over the recent activities of himself and his agents in this city. He indicated the impression that any deep significance attached to his visit.

PERKINS MUST TELL OF CAMPAIGN GIFTS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The Senate committee investigating expenditures will request George W. Perkins of New York to testify about his contributions to the Presidential funds of 1904 and 1908. Whether Mr. Perkins will be called to Washington immediately depends upon the plans for the adjournment of Congress.

GOV. WILSON ON TARIFF.

Democratic Nominee to Discuss Issue With Farmers.
SEA GIRT, N. J., Aug. 15.—Tarkenton, the high cost of living and agricultural development of the country were topics which Gov. Woodrow Wilson planned to discuss to-day at Washington Park, twelve miles below Philadelphia on the Jersey side of the Delaware River. The Governor left here by train at 11 o'clock and was to speak at the farmers' celebration at Washington Park during the afternoon.
Gov. Wilson intended to speak extemporaneously. "Maybe when I get into the swing of the campaign I'll be able to write speeches in advance," said the Governor.

AUTO ENGINEER A SUICIDE IN HOME; WIFE FINDS BODY

Henry F. Donaldson, Head of
American Society, Ends
Life With Rifle.

CAUSE IS A MYSTERY.

His Failure to Answer a Letter
Caused Wife to
Hurry Home.

The body of Henry F. Donaldson, President of the American Society of Automobile Engineers, was found to-day in his apartment on the sixth floor of No. 208 West One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street. He had shot himself through the body with a magazine rifle, probably on Tuesday night.

The unexpected return of Mrs. Donaldson from a summer resort in South Jersey led to the discovery of the suicide. Not having heard from her husband in reply to an urgent letter, she came to town and first went to his office at No. 173 Broadway. Donaldson was head of the engineering firm of Donaldson & Tracy, and his office was also the office of the American Society of Automobile Engineers.

When she was informed that her husband had not been seen or heard from since Tuesday, Mrs. Donaldson hurried to the flat. She rang and knocked in vain and then summoned the janitor. The janitor called in Patrolman MacLoughlin of the West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street station, who forced an entrance through a window.

BODY FOUND IN BATH ROOM
OF HOME.

The body was found in the bathroom of the apartment. The rifle, of the short-barreled carbine pattern, lay beneath the body. When Mrs. Donaldson realized what had happened she ran shrieking through the apartment and then fell on the floor in a swoon. When she revived she was in a hysterical state.

The engineer had left no note and the police were unable to learn anything from his hysterical wife that would suggest a motive for suicide. Mr. Tracy, the head of the firm, was summoned and he could offer no solution.

Mr. Donaldson was forty-five years old and one of the foremost designers of automobile machinery in the country. He was generally believed to be prosperous and the owner of several valuable patents.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

AT CHICAGO.

GIANTS—0 0 0 1 —
CHICAGO—0 0 0 —

AT CINCINNATI.

FIRST GAME.

BROOKLYN—0 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 4 — 7
CINCINNATI—0 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 0 — 3

AT PITTSBURGH.

FIRST GAME.

PHILADELPHIA—0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 — 1
PITTSBURGH—0 0 0 3 0 0 4 0 — 7

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

AT NEW YORK.

DETROIT—0 0 3 0 —
HIGHLANDERS—2 0 0 1 —

AT PHILADELPHIA.

CLEVELAND—0 0 0 2 0 0 —
ATHLETICS—0 0 0 0 4 0 —

AT BOSTON.

ST. LOUIS—0 0 1 1 2 0 —
BOSTON—0 7 2 0 4 0 —

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Striking Picture of Accused Gunmen and Plotters Taken at Arraignment Before the Coroner To-Day

(Photographed Especially for The Evening World by a Staff Artist)



POLICE TAKE MAN GIRL SAYS DRUGGED HER ON AUTO RIDE

John Christmas jr. Is Arrested
at Hotel Where He and
Edna Gray Stayed.

John Christmas jr., the automobile supply salesman who took Edna Gray to No. 321 Greene avenue for a ride in a borrowed car a week ago Tuesday morning, from which she did not return for a week, was arrested to-day at the Belmont Inn on Fulton avenue, Jamaica, by Detectives Duffy and Kelly. They took him to the Gates Avenue Court to charge him with grand larceny in that he did not return the car to Solomon Segal, his employer, when he had promised to do so, and had abandoned it at Coney Island.

The story of George Gilbert, proprietor of the Belmont Inn, agrees in no way with the girl's story of having been drugged and held in a dazed condition for the six days she was missing. Gilbert told the police he ran a decent family hotel and his investigations, they said, seemed to bear him out.

"Christmas and the girl came here at about half past 1 o'clock in the afternoon that Tuesday and stayed here for lunch and for several hours afterward. They were back for dinner, and then came back and registered as Mr. and Mrs. Christmas. I had no reason to doubt they were married. The man said he was working for a contractor on Queens road and would be away in the daytime, but they would stay a week. Every day while he was away the girl was about the house with my wife

and daughter. She was quiet and seemed contented. At no time did she show any signs of having been drinking. She ordered nothing but celery tonic and grape juice while here.

"Both she and Christmas are good singers and in the evening they sat in the parlor with the folks and she played and he sang. At such times she would be quite animated."

The police assumed Christmas would go to the hotel before long. While they were interrogating Gilbert Christmas called up and asked if the coast were clear, saying he wanted to see Gilbert.

He hotel man told him there were no police around. Christmas arrived in an automobile with several young men a few minutes later and was at once arrested.

Christmas refused to say a word when he was arraigned before Magistrate McGuire, except to plead not guilty and to ask for time to get a lawyer. He was held in \$2,000 bail until Monday.

NEW CAR SERVICE OVER THE MANHATTAN BRIDGE.

Justice Van Sicken in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn today dissolved the injunction which has prevented the running of cars over the Manhattan Bridge by the Brooklyn and North River Company. The stock of the new company is held equally by the New York and Brooklyn street railway systems.

GIANTS SCORED FIRST RUN BEFORE 30,000 RABID FANS

First of Series With Cubs Nip and Tuck Pitchers' Battle Between Marquard and Richie.

(Special to The Evening World.)
CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—The first battle of the big series between the Giants and the Cubs was played this afternoon before a crowd of 30,000. The weather was made to order for the occasion and the fans took an afternoon off in order to be at the ball park and root the Cubs to victory. The crowd started pouring into the ball park soon after the noon hour, when the gates were thrown open. Manager Chance and his men were well rested after their long ride from Boston, but did not indulge in any practice during the morning. The Giants who have been here since Tuesday night were feeling as fit for the fracas as they possibly could. The stage was all set for one of the most exciting contests of the season. The players of both teams were ready to put up the fight of their careers, for the outcome of the present series here will have much effect on the winning of the flag in the National League this year.

Rube Marquard, who was the man most likely to get to the club for the visitors, was feeling in the best of spirits, having had plenty of rest and his arm was as good as new. Lou Richie, who was the leading candidate for the mound honors for the home team, was also in excellent trim for the fray. Chance was in doubt about Jimmy Archer, for the star catcher still suffered from his last week's injury.

Cars will be run from Flatbush avenue and Fulton street, Brooklyn, to the Deburghes street ferry, Manhattan. There will be free transfers to all interesting surfaces lines. The permit granted by Bridge Commissioner O'Keefe is revocable at any time. It is hoped the line will be in operation in a few weeks. There will also be a local bridge service.

Judge Van Sicken said the necessity of relieving the congestion on the Brooklyn and Manhattan bridges made the construction of the line immediately necessary. He spoke of severe criticism of the actions of the various street railways in allowing the preliminary arrangements to be tangled up for five years.

First Inning.—Snodgrass lined out to Sheekard. Zimmerman threw out Doyle. Becker went down to Saler. NO RUNS.

Second Inning.—Murray out, Zimmerman hit into a double play, hitting Zimmerman who ran down Merkle. Zimmerman to Archer to Zimmerman. Meyers attempted to take second but was doubled, Zimmerman to Tinker. ONE RUN.

NOT ENOUGH PROOFS TO INDICT SUSPECTS FOR GAMBLER'S DEATH

Grand Jury Declines to Make Blanket
Bill Against All Suspects In
Rosenthal Killing and De-
mands More Evidence.

SCHEPP'S CONFESSION
WANTED AS A CLINCHER.

'Jack Sullivan' and Three Informers,
Heavily Guarded by Headquar-
ters' Men, Brought to Court.

On the ground that the evidence presented was insufficient, the Grand Jury refused to find indictments asked for to-day by the District-Attorney against persons accused of killing Herman Rosenthal and instigating the murder. This does not mean that the indictments will not be found, but that the District-Attorney will be required to produce additional witnesses to corroborate the testimony of the informers.

Mr. Whitman asked for a blanket indictment covering certain persons named, including Lieut. Becker and Jacob Reich, alias "Jack Sullivan." While the Grand Jury believes the evidence strong enough to warrant the indictment of some of the suspects, the testimony as a whole does not apply with equal effect to all.

For instance, there is a discrepancy between the testimony of the informers, "Jack" Rose and "Bridge" Webber. Rose says Reich took the word to Webber's poker room that Herman Rosenthal was at the Metropole Hotel in the early morning of July 16, and that Reich's message was the signal that sent the assassins out on their errand of murder.

Webber confesses that he in person brought the message to his poker room that Rosenthal was at the Metropole. Evidence furnished by Harry Vallon, the other informer, is confusing. He said that he was intoxicated at the time in question and does not remember just what happened.

This is not the only point at which the Grand Jury finds the evidence conflicting. The District-Attorney has until next Tuesday to re-assemble and present his evidence, the Grand Jury having adjourned until that date.

Previous to the meeting of the Grand Jury it had been announced on behalf of the District-Attorney that at least six and possibly eight indictments would be handed down to Judge Mulqueen in the Court of General Sessions soon after noon. It was confidently expected by the District-Attorney's staff that sufficient evidence had been presented to warrant the speedy indictments of "Whitey" Lewis, "Lefty" Louie" Rosenberg, "Dago Frank" Grofield and "Gyp the Blood" Horowitz, the four gun-fighters accused of the actual killing of Rosenthal.

The indictments had been prepared in readiness for the necessary signatures and indorsements. In a hearing before Coroner Feinberg, Assistant District-Attorney Moss said that only a matter of winding up a few details stood in the way of indicting the persons accused of the murder of Rosenthal, and on this representation the Coroner adjourned the inquest for one week.

Following the proceeding before the Coroner, "Jack" Rose, "Bridge" Webber, Harry Vallon, Jacob Reich (alias "Jack Sullivan") and Louis Libby, one of the owners of the murder car, were hurried to the anteroom of the Grand Jury room. Reich's lawyer protested that the rights of his client were being invaded, but detectives insisted on taking the prisoner to the portals of the Grand Jury's quarters.

"All right," said the lawyer Harford Marshall, "if they force him into the Grand Jury room their action will annul any indictment that may be found against him. Let them go as far as they like."

"By no means," he replied. "The members of the Grand Jury want a more complete case, and we shall provide further evidence."

"Does that mean there is discussion in the Grand Jury?" Mr. Moss was asked.

"It is unofficially stated that the Grand Jury is afraid of the testimony of Rose, Webber and Vallon unless it is amply corroborated by persons who cannot be classed as accomplices. All

Rose and Harry Vallon. When these witnesses had been heard the District-Attorney asked for indictments, but the request was turned down.

On the Rosenthal Grand Jury are several members who have served before on Grand Juries in important investigations. They are familiar with the law governing indictments, and they led the opposition to the request of the District-Attorney. Some of them voiced the opinion that it would be prejudicial to public interests to find indictments that could not stand any assault by lawyers and that the evidence before them was not adequate to sustain such indictments in the case under consideration.

The question of finding the indictments did not come to a vote. The Grand Jurors who advocated more proof and more care explained that they believed the prosecution would be greatly damaged if any indictment returned against the men implicated in the Rosenthal assassination should be dismissed by a court on the ground that it was improperly found.

Of course Assistant District-Attorney Moss, who was in charge of affairs in the Grand Jury room, did not press his request for indictments. He stepped into the corridor and announced the new development to waiting reporters.

"No indictments will be returned to-day," he said. "The Grand Jury wants more evidence and we shall present it."

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KILLED ON HONEYMOON.

GENEVA, Aug. 15.—Prof. H. O. Jones of Cambridge, England, and his bride of less than a month were killed together to-day by a fall over an Alpine precipice. Prof. Jones and his wife were married Aug. 1 and were in Switzerland on their honeymoon.